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- X A return postcard.
- X A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (2 pgs.), Form 1449 (1 pgs.), and copies of 2 cited references (US 5,319,445 and 5,343,294).

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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
AND CERTIFICATION UNDER 1.97(e)(1)**

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In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 *et. seq.*, the enclosed materials are brought to the attention of the Examiner for review in connection with the above-identified patent application. Pursuant to the provisions of MPEP 609, Applicant requests that a copy of the 1449 form, marked as being considered and initialled by the Examiner, be returned with the next official communication.

The attached references were discovered as a result of a Search Report in a related copending foreign patent application. Enclosed for the Examiner's information is a copy of the documents and the European Search Report mailed April 13, 2000.

It is noted that U.S. Patent Nos. 4,212,073 and 5,085,502 cited in the European Search Report were previously cited in this case in the Information Disclosure Statement mailed February 3, 1999, and in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement mailed November 19, 1999, respectively.

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The undersigned attorney hereby certifies that each item of information contained in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

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Applicant respectfully request consideration of these references during prosecution of the above-identified matter. The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's Representative at the below-listed telephone number if there are any questions regarding this communication.

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